

'SPOONER' AIDS HALL PROSECUTION; SAW 'PIG WOMAN' AT MURDER SCENE

Expert Identifies Fingerprints of Willie Stevens

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SOMERVILLE, N. J., Nov. 8.—Testifying this afternoon at the Hall-Mills murder trial, William Garvin, a private detective, declared that Ralph V. Gorsline had told him he had confronted Henry Stevens on the Phillips farm the night of the killings, that Stevens fired two shots at his feet and said, "What the hell are you doing here." Gorsline further added, according to Garvin, that he had been made to swear he was not in De Russey's lane the night of the murders.

SOMERVILLE, N. J., Nov. 8.—Sensational developments followed close on the heels of one another today as the Hall-Mills murder trial swung into the second week. The most important were:—

1. Corroboration of Mrs. Jane Gibson's story that she was on the Phillips farm the night the Rev. Edward W.



Willie Stevens



Henry Stevens

Hall and Mrs. Eleanor R. Mills were slain.

2. The bringing face to face of Ralph V. P. Gorsline and William Garvin, Burns detective, who says the vestryman told him he recognized Henry Stevens at the murder scene.

3. Testimony by an expert that the fingerprints on a card found near the dead minister's feet were those of Willie Stevens.

Pig Woman on Mule

Robert Erhling, New Brunswick millwright, is the witness who told of seeing the "pig woman" riding her mule not far from the crabapple tree when the bodies were found. He had gone there with a girl whose identity he gallantly tried to shield from the spectators.

The appearance of Garvin in the courtroom created a furor among the curious. Messengers were dispatched for Gorsline, whose home is in New Brunswick and who is expected here before adjournment this evening. Garvin, it is said, will be asked to identify him.

According to the private detective, the vestryman told him he had met Henry Stevens on the farm, pistol in hand, that

Kidnaped From Hospital Bed



MEDICAL PLOT between Somerville doctors and defense counsel in the Hall-Mills murder trial was rumored today as the cause of Prosecutor Simpson's mysterious spiriting away from Somerville yesterday of Mrs. Jane Gibson, star witness for the state. The "pig woman" is virtually a prisoner in Jersey City Hospital. Her little daughter, shown above with her mother, is also at the hospital.

the latter was highly nervous and fired two shots into the ground.

Lieut. Fred Drewen, Jersey City fingerprint expert, was the witness who declared the prints on the card had been made by Willie Stevens. He was subjected to a long cross-examination which failed to shake his story to any appreciable extent.

Accused Sit Unmoved

As witness after witness told their stories which, the state expects, will fasten responsibility for the double killing upon Mrs. Hall and her brothers, Henry and Willie Stevens, the three sat unmoved, the very picture of confidence.

"God is good and I know it won't be long before our innocence is proved," said Mrs. Hall, dressed entirely in black.

The outward calm of the woman remained unruffled, even when she had seen Willie become flustered because a barber had fled the jail

leaving his face lathered. The eccentric defendant was getting a shave when the barber was informed his daughter had fallen off a porch. He rushed out leaving his tools behind. Henry Stevens picked up a razor and finished the job.

Widow Shows Confidence

Not even the big stereopticon machine which had been set up in the courtroom since adjournment on Saturday could break through the self-confidence of the minister's widow and her brothers. It is from this that Special Prosecutor Alexander W. Simpson intends to project pictures of the crabapple tree under which the bodies were found and other scenes bearing upon the murder.

The crowd which stormed the court today was larger than any of last week. Men and women gathered early and their first interest seemed to concern the condition of the "pig woman." There was general disappointment when it

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'Pig Woman' Ill 2 Weeks, Doctors Predict; Cancer Hint Likely to Halt Trial

Mrs. Jane Gibson, star state witness in the Hall-Mills murder trial, dramatically "kidnaped" from Somerset County Hospital yesterday by Special Prosecutor Alexander Simpson, is seriously ill, according to physicians at Jersey City Hospital, Jersey City, to which she was taken—so ill she will be confined there for at least two weeks.

The four specialists who are attending her stress the words "at least," indicating she may be confined longer. She has a complication of maladies, and is confined to the gynecological service ward.

Mrs. Hall and Kin Eat Home-Made Lunch in Court

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SOMERVILLE, N. J., Nov. 8. Mrs. Hall had chicken sandwiches and coffee for luncheon. She ate it with Henry Carpenter and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Carpenter in the reception room of the jail.

The clergyman's widow brought her food from her New Brunswick home, as did the Carpenters.

Willie indulged in a shrimp salad, furnished by Mrs. Henry Stevens's colored cook. Henry Stevens ate more heavily, taking pork chops and boiled potatoes, with brown gravy.



Alex. Simpson



R. H. McCarter

After an examination of the patient today and a consultation, Drs. Charles B. Kelley, visiting gynecologist; Charles Snyder, resident gynecologist; J. R. Commorato, visiting physician, and E. J. Daly, visiting neurologist, issued a statement stating Mrs. Gibson's condition, the nature of her illness and other particulars.

Simpson Explains

While they were busy preparing the statement, Prosecutor Simpson

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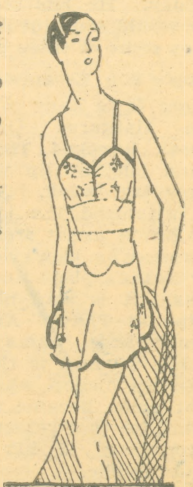
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